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German Democratic Republic

ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION AND ESTIMATE ON SOVIET TROOP TRAINING AND ORGANIZATION  
IN THE GDR (5 pp; German; [REDACTED])

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This report consists of two parts. The first one, dated 16 January 1951, deals with the Sachsenhausen Reconnaissance Camp. It does not give the number of troops in the camp. It describes the location of the camp and its maneuver area, and mentions the fact that the area is surrounded by guard towers and is being well guarded. [REDACTED] which may belong to the camp. It mentions the fact that T-34 tanks are in the area and gives their tactical designations. Also, insignia and equipment of troops observed are described. Mention is made of tank troops, and possibly also a tank repair shop, located in a factory (location described) on the Granienburg - Sachsenhausen road. Guns were also noticed, but nothing is mentioned about how many.

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The second part of the report, dated 14 January 1951, is an estimate of the training and organization of Soviet units in the German Democratic Republic. Estimates are given of how many troops have been and are being trained. Soviet field troops in the German Democratic Republic are estimated at 210,000 men. Names of tank-driver schools are given. Mention is also made of shortages of tank parts.

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